

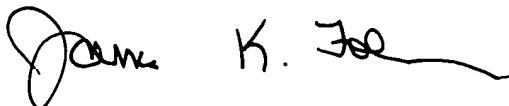
REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the above-recited claims be considered with the examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

GREER, BURNS & CRAIN, LTD.

By



James K. Folker
Registration No. 37,538

October 12, 2000

Suite 8660 - Sears Tower
233 S. Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606-6501
Telephone: (312) 993-0080
Facsimile: (312) 993-0633

F:\DATA\WP60\2803\64683\PRE.AME